

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Bansei Nagase et al. Art Unit : 4172  
Serial No. : 10/550,832 Examiner : Erin Lindsay Evans  
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Title : COATING METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR FORMING PROTECTIVE LAYER

**Mail Stop Amendment**

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AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO ACTION OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2008

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: